## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION

MDL No. 2323

No. 12-md-2323(AB)

Second Amended Master Administrative Long-Form Complaint Against Riddell Defendants and (if applicable) <u>Andrews</u>, et al. v. National Football League [et al.], No. 2:12-cv-04632-AB

SHORT FORM COMPLAINT

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This is a Short Form Complaint related to

**Plaintiff Chris McAlister** 

IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION

**JURY TRIAL DEMANDED** 

# SHORT FORM COMPLAINT AGAINST RIDDELL DEFENDANTS

- 1. Plaintiff <u>Chris McAlister</u> brings this civil action as a related action in the matter entitled IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION, MDL No. 2323.
- 2. Plaintiff is filing this Short Form Complaint against Riddell Defendants as required by this Court's Case Management Order filed October 10, 2017.
- 3. Plaintiff continues to maintain claims against Riddell Defendants after a Class Action Settlement was entered into between the NFL Defendants and certain Plaintiffs.
- 4. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations (as designated below) of the Second Amended Master Administrative Long-Form Complaint Against Riddell Defendants, as is fully set forth at length in this Short Form Complaint.

<del>5.</del>	[Fill in if applicable] Plaintiff is filing this case in a representative capacity as the
	of by the Court of
	(Cross out sentence below if not applicable.) Copies of the Letters of

Administration/Letters Testamentary for a wrongful death claim are annexed hereto if such

Letters are required for the commencement of such a claim by the Probate, Surrogate or other

appropriate court of the jurisdiction of the decedent.

6.	Plaint	iff Chris McAlister is a resident and citizen of Los Angeles, California and					
claims damages as set forth below.							
<del>7.</del>	— Plaint	iff's Spouse is a resident and citizen of and claims					
damages as	a result o	of loss of consortium proximately caused by the harm suffered by her					
Plaintiff husband.							
8.	The P	laintiff sustained repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive					
head impact	s during	NFL games and/or practices. Upon information and belief, Plaintiff suffers					
from sympto	oms of bi	rain injury caused by the repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/or					
concussive l	head imp	acts the Plaintiff sustained during NFL games and/or practices. Upon					
information	and belie	ef, the Plaintiff's symptoms arise from injuries that are latent and have					
developed and continue to develop over time.							
9.	The o	riginal complaint by Plaintiffs in this matter was filed in Southern District of					
New York. If the case is remanded, it should be remanded to Southern District of New York.							
10.	Plaint	iffs claim damages as a result of [check all that apply]:					
	$\boxtimes$	Injury to Herself/Himself					
		Injury to the Person Represented					
		Wrongful Death					
		Survivorship Action					
	$\boxtimes$	Economic Loss					

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Loss of Services

			Loss of Consortium				
	11.	-{Fill in	n if applicable] As a result of the injuries to Plaintiff, Plaintiff's Spouse				
suffers	uffers from a loss of consortium, including the following injuries:						
			Loss of marital services;				
			Loss of companionship, affection or society;				
			Loss of support; and				
			Monetary losses in the form of unreimbursed costs expended for the health care and personal care of Plaintiff.				
	12.	[Checl	k if applicable] ⊠Plaintiff reserves the right to object to federal				
jurisdic	ction.						
	13.	Plainti	ff bring this case against the following Defendants in this action [check all				
that app	ply]:						
		$\boxtimes$	Riddell, Inc.				
		$\boxtimes$	All American Sports Corp.				
		$\boxtimes$	Riddell Sports Group, Inc.				
		$\boxtimes$	BRG Sports, Inc.				
		$\boxtimes$	BRG Sports Holdings Corp.				
		$\boxtimes$	Easton-Bell Sports, LLC				
		$\boxtimes$	EB Sports Corp.				
		$\boxtimes$	BRG Sports, LLC				

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- 14. [Check if applicable] ⊠ The Plaintiff wore one or more helmets designed and/or manufactured by the Riddell Defendants during one or more years Plaintiff played in the NFL and/or AFL.
- 15. Plaintiff played in [check if applicable] 

  the National Football League

  ("NFL") and/or in [check if applicable] 

  the American Football League ("AFL") during the following period of time 1999-2009 for the following teams: 

  New Orleans Saints and Baltimore Ravens.
  - 16. Plaintiff retired from playing professional football after the 2009 season.

#### **CAUSES OF ACTION**

- 17. Plaintiffs herein adopt by reference the following Counts of the Second Amended Master Administrative Long-Form Complaint, along with the factual allegations incorporated by reference in those Counts [check all that apply]:
  - ☐ Count I (Negligence)
  - ☐ Count II (Negligent Marketing)

  - ⊠ Count IV (Fraud)

  - ☐ Count VI (Failure to Warn)
  - ☐ Count VII (Breach of Implied Warranty)
  - ☐ Count VIII (Civil Conspiracy)
  - ⊠ Count IX (Fraudulent Concealment)

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	Count X (Wrongful Death)			
	Count XI (Survival Action)			
	Count XII (Loss of Consortium)			
$\boxtimes$	Count XIII (Punitive Damages under All Claims)			
$\boxtimes$	Count XIV (Declaratory Relief: Punitive Damages)			
18.	Plaintiff asserts the following additional causes of action [write in or attach]:			

## **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for judgment as follows:

- A. An award of compensatory damages, the amount of which will be determined at trial;
- B. An award of economic damages in the form of medical expenses, out of pocket expenses, lost earnings and other economic damages in an amount to be determined at trial;
- C. For punitive and exemplary damages as applicable;
- D. For all applicable statutory damages of the state whose laws will govern this action;
- E. For loss of consortium as applicable;
- F. For declaratory relief as applicable;
- G. For an award of attorneys' fees and costs;
- H. An award of prejudgment interest and costs of suit; and

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I. An award of such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

### **JURY TRIAL DEMAND**

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38, Plaintiffs hereby demand a trial by jury on all issues so triable.

Dated: November 28, 2017

New York, NY

Respectfully Submitted,

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